With the implementation of VAT, the States are of the view that the taxation of the 3 AED items should also be integrated with VAT. However, no firm decision has as yet been taken on various aspects connected with levy of VAT on AED items. As and when the same is done, all relevant issues would be given due consideration. There is no proposal for compensating the States in this regard since it is not expected that the States would incur any loss as a result of levy of VAT on AED items.

Unearthing of concealed income

759. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether hundreds of crores of rupees of concealed income has been unearthed, as a result of raids by the Enforcement Directorate this year; and

(b) if so, the details of such money unearthed during the current year and last three years, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) and (b) Details of concealed income which has been unearthed as a result of raids by Enforcement Directorate this year and in the last three years, State-wise, are as under:

Year	Maharashtra (Rs. Lakh)	West Bengal (Rs. Lakh)	Others
2006	Nil	82.14	Nil
2005	33.30	7.87	Nil
2004	Nil	Nil	Nil
2003	Nil	Nil	Nil

Vacancies in tax departments

760. SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN:
SHRI CHITTABRATA MAJUMDAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are massive vacancies in the tax departments because of Government's decision to fill one third of vacancies;